Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

Committee on the Judiciary: On Thursday, June 22, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Oversight concluded hearings to examine the threat of fugitives to safety, law, and order, after receiving testimony from

Senator Dorgan; John W. Marshall, Director, and Israel Brooks, Jr., Marshall for the District of South Carolina, both of the United States Marshall Service, Department of Justice; Edward T. Norris, Baltimore Police Department, Maryland; Patrick Sullivan, Sheriff of Arapahoe County, Colorado, on behalf of the National Sheriffs' Association; and Kevin M. Horton, Massachusetts State Police, Framingham.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4729–4732, 4734–4742; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res 103, H. Con. Res. 363–364, and H. Res 531, were introduced. **Pages H5083–84**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows. H.R. 4227, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to the number of aliens granted nonimmigrant status described in section 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, to implement measures to prevent fraud and abuse in the granting of such status, amended (H. Rept. 106–692);

H.R. 4733, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 (H. Rept. 106–693).

H.R. 4446, to ensure that the Secretary of Energy may continue to exercise certain authorities under the Price-Anderson Act through the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environment, Safety, and Health; referred sequentially to the House Committee on Armed Services for a period ending not later than July 21, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–694, Pt. 1);

H.R. 3383, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to remove separate treatment or exemption for nuclear safety violations by nonprofit institutions, amended; referred sequentially to the House Committee on Armed Services for a period ending no later than July 21, 2000 (H. Rept. 106–695, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 3906, to ensure that the Department of Energy has appropriate mechanisms to independently assess the effectiveness of its policy and site performance in the areas of safeguards and security and cyber security, amended H. (Rept. 106–696, Pt. 1).

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Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations: The House considered amendments to H.R. 4690, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and

State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. Pages H5039–72 Agreed To:

Waxman amendment that allows reimbursement to the Justice Department for litigation filed before January 1, 2000, that has received funding under section 109 of Public Law 103–317, thereby allowing the Veterans Administration to transfer funding for the lawsuit against tobacco companies (agreed to by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 183 noes, Roll No. 319); and

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English amendment No. 61 printed in the Congressional Record that increases funding for USTR trade monitoring staff by \$3 million and decreases Commerce Department General Administration funding accordingly.

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Rejected:

Davis amendment No. 21 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to strike the Department of Justice's exemption to the payment of overtime to its attorneys (rejected by a recorded vote of 103 ayes to 288 noes, Roll No. 320); and

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Coble amendment No. 56 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for the Patent and Trademark Office by \$133.8 million and decrease the Economic and Statistical Analysis, Bureau of the Census, and Educational and Cultural Exchange Program accounts accordingly (rejected by a recorded vote of 145 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 321).

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Points of order sustained against:

Jackson-Lee amendment No. 24 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to institute an \$8 user fee for certain cruise ship passengers. Page H5049

Obey amendment No. 31 printed in the Congressional Record that sought to increase funding for trade compliance activities; Pages H5049-51

Kaptur amendment that sought to make available funding for communities adversely affected by the implementation of permanent normal trade relations with China;

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